post/subject are prepared by following the descending order of combined weightage of each applicant calculated in terms of entitlement points awarded. Transfers are effected by following the first priority list against clear vacancies. After the clear vacancies are exhausted the remaining candidates in Priority List-I who are also appearing in Priority List-II having served for more than 5 years at a station and 3 years at a hard station are transferred by displacing the teachers having longest stay of more than 5 years at those stations to which the transfers have been requested for. According to the information given by the KVS, all transfers have been made in accordance with the requests and the provisions of the guidelines.

ICAR Foot-and-Mouth Research Centre in Kashmir

*88. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a proposal to set up a Foot-and-Mouth Research Centre in Kashmir by the Indian Council for Agriculture Research; if so, whether ICAR has set up the same; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) There was a proposal to set up a Collaborating Centre in J & K by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). This has been set up.

(b) A Collaborating Centre has been sanctioned for J & K by ICAR during IX Plan with an outlay of Rs.3.80 lakhs and started functioning at Department of Animal Husbandry, Jammu & Kashmir.

Doubling the Track of Konkan Railways

*89. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how many trains are run on the Konkan Railways;

(b) whether the number of trains is few and slow and if so, whether it is because of single track;

(c) whether it is a fact that even the Rajdhani Express running from Delhi to Trivandrum is always late by a couple of hours; and

(d) if so, whether Government have any plan to double this important line in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) 11 pairs of express trains and 5 pairs of passenger trains are running on the Konkan Railways.

(b) to (d) No, Sir.

National Agriculture Insurance Scheme in Bihar

†*90. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bihar Government has sought certain clarifications from the Central Government with regard to implementation of National Agriculture Insurance Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are considering to dispose of this matter at the earliest;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Ban on Urea Exports

*91. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in The Financial Express dated 30th October, 2001, under the heading, "Ban on urea export has fertilizer majors reeling";

(b) if so, Government's reaction in this regard; and

(c) the details of corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken in the context of fertilizer industry's demand for lifting ban to export urea?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) There is no ban on export of urea as such. However, in

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.